Mountain Weather Forecast

Mourne Mountains

Forecast valid from 06:00 on Saturday 18 Mar 2023 until 23:59 on Sunday 19 Mar 2023

Forecast Issued on Saturday 18 Mar 2023 at 02:46

Confidence: Low for extent of low cloud and any showers on Saturday. High for a window of clearer, drier weather on Sunday. High for changeable weather early next week.

Headline for Saturday 18 Mar 2023: Rain and low cloud, clearing late in the day.

Mountain weather hazards on Saturday 18 Mar 2023

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales No Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** No Likelihood	**Poor visibility** High Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 700m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Fog	Light rain	Heavy Rain	Light rain	Sunny intervals	Partly cloudy (night)
Precipitation probability					
10%	30%	90%	60%	<05%	<05%

Forecast for Saturday 18 Mar 2023

Weather: A rather cloudy day with low cloud shrouding summits for much of the day. A largely dry start, but rain turning increasingly persistent through the morning and early afternoon. Becoming dry by late afternoon with thinning cloud towards dusk giving clear spells in the evening.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 700m: 10%, becoming 80% around dusk

Low cloud and visibility: Poor visibility for much of the day with cloud generally persistent down to 300-400m. Cloud bases gradually lifting through the afternoon, above the summits towards dusk.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	14/20 SW	12/18 SW	12/17 W	24/35 NW	31/44 NW	33/47 NW	30/43 NW
300	4/10 SW	4/8 SW	7/12 W	16/27 NW	17/31 NW	14/29 NW	15/29 NW
Valley	2/9 SW	2/6 SW	5/11 W	14/27 NW	15/30 NW	13/29 NW	14/28 NW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	6/2	6/2	6/3	4/-1	4/-3	1/-6	1/-6
300	7/6	8/7	9/7	7/3	6/1	4/-1	3/-2
Valley	7/7	8/8	10/8	8/5	7/3	4/0	4/-0
Freezing Level*	1500m	1600m	1600m	1500m	1000m	800m	800m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Meteorologist's View

Nothing to add

Forecast for Sunday 19 Mar 2023

Weather: Dry for most of the day with some morning sunshine. High cloud will spill across from the west with rain, very briefly preceded by higher summit snow, developing towards evening. Rain persisting through the evening.

Maximum wind: Southerly 15 mph

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 700m: 70%

Low cloud and visibility: Very good visibility with cloud above the summits until late afternoon onwards. Then extensive cloud down to 900 metres developing around dusk, and down to 300 metres or lower by late evening.

Temperature: **Valleys:** Minus 2 rising to 9 Celsius
At 700m: Minus 1 Celsius
Freezing level: 800 metres, rising above summit level after dark

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